

A Way to Say Thanks to Hoosier First Responders

On a daily basis, many of your fellow Hoosiers put **your** safety first. Members of the fire service, law enforcement, and emergency medical services from across Indiana make the well-being of their fellow citizens their top priority when called to respond to an incident with their expertise.

Now there is a way for you to show Hoosier first responders your support and gratitude for their commitment to their fellow citizens. The next time you renew your vehicle's plate, ask for a "Secure Indiana" license plate.



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About the Plate

The revenue from "Secure Indiana" license plate sales funds the Indiana Homeland Security Foundation, formerly the Emergency Management, Fire and Building Services, and Public Safety Training Foundation. The Foundation, one of the first of its kind in the nation, offers financial support for critical public safety needs across Indiana.

The Foundation funds public safety projects at the local level. Local public safety organizations in your communities are eligible to apply for projects such as equipping emergency responders with personal protective equipment, acquiring equipment for use by emergency responders, and training for emergency responders.



Promoting Public Safety Careers

Indiana relies on a robust and passionate first responder volunteer force in collaboration with government and private entities to provide for a Secure Indiana. Mindful of the future, the Indiana Department of Homeland Security has a strategic interest in building up the state's volunteer force by encouraging Indiana's youth and adults to volunteer for public safety organizations and in promoting the rewarding pursuit of a career in public safety. In 2006, a scholarship program through the Indiana Homeland Security Foundation was set up to reward undergraduate students with volunteering for public safety experience and who have chosen to pursue a career in public safety.

This is a competitive scholarship program for which eligible recipients maintained a minimum of a 2.7 GPA, submitted an essay, and were given a recommendation from the public safety organization for which he or she volunteered. Full-time students were eligible for \$2,000, while part-time students were eligible for \$1,000. These funds are made possible by the sale of the Secure Indiana license plate.

By paying a small fee and purchasing a Secure Indiana license plate from your local BMV branch, you can show your dedication to the importance of careers in public safety and volunteerism in Indiana.

Small Fee, Big Impact

The fee to receive a Hoosier Safety license plate is only \$40, in addition to your normal vehicle registration and excise fees. Of the \$40 fee, the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicle retains \$15 for administrative costs with the remaining \$25 going directly to the Foundation. (Note: if you request a low-end number from one to 100 or a specific number, there is an additional one-time \$30 "pull" fee.)

By paying a small fee and purchasing a Hoosier Safety license plate, you can make a big impact by assisting Indiana's first responders who help protect your loved ones, your neighbors and you. Declare your dedication to Secure Indiana today!